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FROM ORAN.

Residents of Bleds say that the raine of last week caused a greater amount of water to the down Charge Craw with such force as to cause this levees on both sides the creek to give way. The greatest amount of water to the water will be the passed off south over the Heuring larm cast of Bleds and on down week of the subscription of

county and as productive if the overflow could be prevented.

Now that we are entering upon a
tow year would it not be better for
our community to stop the factional
nexts and all pull together? True,
everyone is and represented to believe his neighhor interior mere once stopping to
remove the noise from his own eye
With not all work fact their for the
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together the test manner by St.

Monday

Father Boate and Loe M. Glucck

are going to bester Monday to
refreshments, so that every one was
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refreshments and all public and long was the arrival of a photographer from Charleston As many
was grouped on the porchard a picfield were at Benton Monday.

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sable gulf. The only trade now is by failroad. The had, water and ice gorges form an impressable harrifer, yet we are assell to yote to form the county for \$100,000 to build a court house, when it was published to the world that the present building would asser for a decade to come.

James F. Alien is the result of the work of the county for \$100,000 to build assert for a decade to come.

Mesdamus they have the first and water in the slong hetween here and the island as there was before the ditch was cut. This water come from the hills and instead of flowing into the main ditch came down on this side. Some ditching cast of here would turn this water into the main ditch and save this valuable land from overflow.

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and W. H. Stubblefield of this place afternoon, and Bev. C. Moenig of Humburg. Jno Williams was among Dielikwent down to New Madrid Tuesday, study friends, and relatives Monday. Pool property to the Charles Harris property near the school house. to attend the railroad meeting They went down on the Frisco and ame back over the air line.

We understand John G. Metz. Sr . s in a verge feeble condition. He is now past his \$1st milestone and without the best attention becannot same can be said of Uncle Wash relatives at Charleston Sunday. Shields and lady. They are aged. Mrs. H. Stone spent Sunday after farms. iescrepit and very feeble.

moved here from Fredericktown.

noon with Mrs. Emma Williams.

he bed vine hav last week.

Thus, Martin has been

spent X-mas with relatives here,

Sikeston after a short visit here.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Berns

Charleston visitors Saturday,

Mrs. F. Ostner Sunday.

ousin, Miss Clara Berns.

Sunday with Mrs. Akers.

Our Boptist church is being re-

FROM KELSO.

Heisserer and Leo Dohogne.

on the ground for a time.

drove to Cape Thursday.

Otto Heisserer was

vieve to locate.

be suspended. (Get airships).-Ed.

A. C. Ancell and Andy Blattel

Monday evening.

cripple for several days.

Judge J. L. Hale, while at the Ben Berns shipped several cars of seven of the White Orpington' breed of chickens. They are fine boking birds and the Judgesays this breed have the reputation of being the best layers during the winter

Thos. F. Hinkle is building a busi-ness house 50x57 feet on his lot in the "burnt district." The founda- ing corn to market here. tion is put in and the material on the ground, and if the weather will permit, work will progress as rapidly · possible.

The people visiting here from Edua -ay that Chaffee is nothing more than a windbag and will fall that. while Tom Blocker save Chaffee is the oming town, coming with both feet Tis only a difference of

Flora Schott, who was so badly used up during the holidays is in town today. Flora looks like he had been through the Japan-Russian , Flat River. war. His arm is carried in a sling C. Williams spent Friday at and his bend shows the marks of the Charleston.

We now have eight daily passenger ation again. trains and on an average of lifteen W. W. Bray visited at Morley freight trains every day, and yet our people are clamoring for more and better facilities. But we do want the paired. electric road and want it had.

John Cross is building a barn on his premises in the northeast part of town and expects to have this and road through here. The proposed his dwelling completed in the early road is going to hit Peter Robert's spring months.

Amos L. Drury of Kelso was here could be induced to come through on business Friday. Mr. Drury has the east part of our town, which will Ollie Calvert by Squire Chewning, an exhalted opinion of his town and bring it in the neighborhood of J. F. On the 27th Mr. and Mrs. S.

Miss Jennie Clemson visited her sister, Mrs. Roy Williams at Cape Girardeau Saturday and Sunday.

W. F. Spradlin is building a neat cottage residence in the McNair Assessor R. L. Buck was here Mon-

day and Tuesday on business. J. W. Reeder and lady are visiting in Fredericktown this week.

Broke Even. First Gambler (in hospital) - The "auto" turned over on me and broke a vertebra in the small of my back. Second Gambler-Cheer up, old chap; you broke about even, any-

way.-Judge. Jungle Shopping.
Mr. Kangaroo-What's the matter?
Mrs. Kangaroo-Why, when I went shopping I had the baby, some sum ples and a transfer in my pocket, and

Didn't Work.
"Doctor," said the man who wanted to work him for a free prescription, "what would you give for a sore threat?" fething," replied the doctor, prompt.
"I don't want a sore throat."—Tit-

now I've gone and lost the baby.-N

FROM PRICE'S LANDING.

FROM NEW HAMBURG.

Lee Westrich was over to Benton Him. They know he will not batch. Henry Yeakey and Miss Ruth Min-

James F. Alien is in receipt of a Mesdames thus Head and Jim The Methodist church building has better from Prof. J. U. White, Supt. Cartweight spent last Friday with been moved to its new location. The plastering on the side walls is builted.

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Here the plastering on the side walls is builted. of the Brookfield public schools and Republican candidate for State Superintendent saying that he would Shoeburg visited Mrs. Chas. Head address the people here at the class of the school on education and design the school on education and design the school of the sch

R. L. Pool has bought the James S. H. Dewhirst, Chas. E. Moore, Misses Beadye Watkins and Allie Pool property and will move here liev. Martin Helmbacher, Geo. Metz. Akers visited the shood Wednesday shortly. We heartily welcome all and W. H. Subbleheld of this place afternoon.

Miss Addye Abshire spent a few property near the school house. Miss Addy Abstace Spinday. The brothers John and James addition. Strong will farm on P. H. Boyce's P. J. b. The brothers John and James

Mrs. Juo. English spent Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. N. B. Cavanah. James Burnett and family have sick for the past two weeks, is able Mrs. G. W. Hutchison visited in

Dr. C.C. Presnell and family visited Several men from Illinois and Kentucky are here looking for homes and

FROM BATTS.

of her husband who is very low. Mr. and Mrs. John Suter, of Cary, while cutting timber.

Migs Mabel Elkins has returned to E Ohmes has several wagons houlfamily this week.

Monday. Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Ostner visited Died, on Christmas day, Mrs. Stein. Remains were taken to Morley for in-Dora Berns spent Sunday with her

Miss Berbara Ladd spent Saturday night with Miss Earsley Pearcy. Mrs. W. Kirkpatrick spent Sunday with Mrs. A. J. Abshire. There has been a great deal of sick-ness in our community recently. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Miller spent

Charles Cartwright has moved into John English left for St. Louis the house vacated by Geo. Cruse. Alex McLanahan has moved into

Aivin Blankenship has returned to the house with his father. Mrs. Vester Williams is very low

Mrs. W. E. King is visiting rela-Our grist mili will soon be in opertives in Arcadia. T. J. Ladd has moved to Oran.

FROM CARY.

A sery pleasant evening was spent at Miss Pearl Finley's school Friday evening in the way of a spelling and There is a rumor affoat of a rail. adding contest between Crossplains and Owensby school.

George Jolliff and Miss Maud Keen were married at the home of the There were fifty-three Sundays in bride: also Mr. H. E. Martin and Miss last year. This will not happen On the 27th Mr. and Mrs. S. O.

Deibold's flour mill. The people of this village and its immediate sur-roundings should get together and Finley took in a young man to board for 21 years. We learn Sunday school has been

encourage the proposition as much organized at Unity. Everybody come and help. The stockholders of our bank held The holidays are past and the their annual meeting Tuesday and

events are as follows. elected as directors Jules C. Drury, J. K. P. Chewning, Jr., is visiting Mike Welter, J. F. Diebold, Charles here from St. Louis. It is rumored J. W. Baty will move Some of the roads in this township to Blodgett. are almost impassable. Something must be done, else travel will have to

Our church is almost completed. FROM PORTER'S SWITCH.

Our farmers welcome the snow as in their opinion it will be of great benefit to the wheat crop if it remains John Drury, of Bloomsdale, is here gett last Friday.

There is a big meeting going on at Savannah, conducted by Revs. Summers and Lee. Come out everyrisiting his brothers, Jules C. and Cyrue. Cyrus will return to Ste. Gene-John W. Heeb, of Chaffee, was here Saturday with that usual smile that wont come off.

Miss Suisie Gage of near Blodgett visited in this part of the county Sunday.

Ira P. Hipes, of Blodgett, visited his brother, Jess, Monday. Henry Stanley who has been quite sick is able to be up and about this Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Snelder went to Benton church Sunday. Jim Greer and Frank Leist were at

The boys are having lots hunting rabbits now.

FROM MCMULLIN.

Luther Finley agent for a St. Louis nursery company was in our vicinty boys and we wish him every success. Charley Finley has rented the farm Father Mooning and Andy Weid- known as the Bean farm and, being

her returned from Kentucky Satur-day where they had been visiting old

Sparks and Stubbs are building an addition to the front of the Commercial Hotel, and as soon as completed Stubbs Bros. will occupy the place and move the cafe there

Chas. Hale has moved into his new residence in the Sparks and Stubbs

P. J. Kesling and Dr. U. A. Pres-Charleston this week.

AROUND BENTON.

The following marriage licenses were issued since our last issue: Lou Bonds and Miss Nonie Hunt, both of GRAND PRIZE, PARIS 1900 Mrs. Sarah Cartwright left for Kens Morehouse; Benjamin Lett, Oran, tucky Tuesday to attend the bedside and Miss Mary Murray, Vanduser; Foster Williams and Miss Minnie C. We were sorry to hear of the death Crader, both of Edna; Emil Bolling-Mr. John Cruse, who was killed er and Miss Margaret C. Burkhardt, both of Bleda.

Mr. and Mrs. Jefferies of Kentucky John F. Martin, of Charleston, has are the guests of T. E. Mercer and come up to take charge of the organ and see what he can do. John is a Mr. and Mrs. Hazel were the guests good fellow and has had much news-Chas. Hazel, of near Sikeston. paper experience, but he is certainly up against the real thing now.

The Misses Grace and Catherine O'Bannan, the former from Rector, Ark., and the latter from Fredericktown. Mo., visited the family of S. H. Smith last Friday and Saturday. They left Sunday for their homes.

The new gates that have been put on the north and east sides of square are quite a convenience. Now let the hitching chains be separated so that people can get to the gates from across the street.

Miss Kittle May Smith who spent the holidays with her parents in Ben-ton, returned to Fredericktown last Sunday to resume her duties as

George Schurenberg, of Vanduser, was here Saturday and reports the water very high in the low land in the western portion of the county.

Dr. P. R. Williams, of Cape, spent Wednesday night with Dr. Freeling. Dr. Williams will spend the remain-der of the winter in the South.

again for 110 years. Most of us will

Business Locals.

I have farms for sale of various Kelso, New Hamburg, Oran, Morley, Benton, Cary, Blodgett, Diehlstadt and Commerce. Also improved and unimproved lands in the state of Arkansas. If you want to sell, list your farm or property with me. I stand a hundred chances to sell to If you want to buy, D. H. HARPER, Benton, Mo.

I have fifty acres of land near Ran-Miss Maud Sherer who has been deadened for four years. Would like visiting in this vicinity for some to have same cleared by lease or per time returned to her home in Blod-acre. House on premises. August Halter, New Hamburg, Mo.

Notice.—All parties indebted to me are hereby requested to call and settle their accounts. John F. Sailer, Kelso, Mo. 8-4t.

Rev. Schlathoelter is on the sic

Notice.-Merchants and others are best, you know. warned not to sell to anyone on my credit without order from me after January 15, 1906. Wm. Bray. Highest cash price paid for fat hogs. See Steck & Haw, Benton, Mo.

Cholly—I pwide myself on being a free thinker.

Stella—Well, I den't suppose you have enough to charge admittance for.

J. T. Sun. Fifty cents will buy a second-hand king heater. Kicker office.

THE ROCKING REINDEER: A CHRISTMAS CUT-OUT.



cut out the reindeer, and then cut around on the heavy lines and fold on dotted lines. Paste the laps A" on the top of the opposite rocker. Paste a top blank lap to the in side of the "A" laps, and the bettom blank laps to the inside of rocker.

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tt all cream."-Cleveland Leader. Not Embezzlement. "I hear your cashier is in trouble," said the first bank president. "Yes," said the second bank presi dent, "he's charged with stealing."

"Oh, then he didn't get much, eh?" -Chicago Sun. Contrariness. Oh, woman! in contrariness What is there that can beat her? In size her hats are growing less-

In price they're growing greater, -Cleveland Plain Dealer, CHANCE FOR HIM YET.



"Think it over again, Nanette, be fore you refuse me!" 'Why should I consider your pro

"O, because you women never think twice alike!"-Dorfbarbier.

At Work Again.
The love affair of the baron
And the seashore belie is o'er.
She's back at her desk in the office
And he has returned to the store.
—Philadelphia Press.

"The heroine of this story is abso-"What do you mean by colorless?" "Well, she loves her husband, and has no talent for epigram."-Puck.

An Exception. Mrs. Henpeck—Second thoughts are Henpeck-Not yours. You remember the first time I proposed you re-fused me.-Judge.

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NOTICE is hereby given that letters of administration upon the estate of George Harrison, deceased, have been grainfed to the undersigned by the clerk of the probate court of Scott county, in variation, bearing date the 11th day of Lecenber, 1995. All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within one year from the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of said estate and fished claims be not exhibited within two years from the date of the publication of this notice they will be forever barred.

L. A. REYNOLDS. ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

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NOTICE is hereby given that letters of administration upon the estate of Elizabeth Usesman deceased, have been granted to the undersized by the clock of the Probate Court of Scott county, the clock of the Probate Court of Scott county, Missouri, in vacation, bearing date the 1st day of January, A. D. 1966. All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within one year from the date of and letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate, and if said claims be not exhibited within two years from the date of the publication of this notice they will be forever barred.

HENRY EIPERT.

Administrator.

ADMINISTRATOR & NOTICE. ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that letters of administration upon the estate of Delpha C. Barby, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned by the cierk of the probate court of Scott courty. Misaouri, in vacation, hearing date the 4th day of Becember, 1999. All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within one year from an date of these letters, or they may be precluded from any heasest of such setates, and if said claims be not exhibited within two years from the date of the publication of this notice they will be forever barred.